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Applicant : Peter M. Keddell
Appl. No. : 09/714,322
Filed : November 16, 2000
Title : Architectural Trim Product and Method of Mounting
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RULE 131 DECLARATION

I, Peter M. Keddell, the inventor of the above-identified patent application, do hereby declare:

1. That in the Office Action of October 3, 2002, the Examiner cited in support of a 35 U.S.C. 103(a) rejection United States Patent No. 6,112,481 to Schiedegger et al., the effective date of which is September 5, 2000.

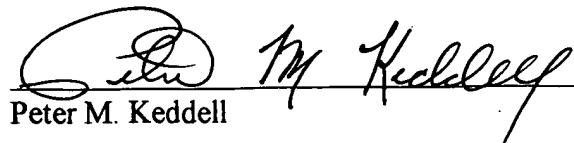
2. That I reduced to practice the invention described in the above-identified patent application on a date prior to September 5, 2000, by actually making sample trim products according to the invention so described therein.

3. That I temporarily installed and made photographs of the installed sample trim products, and sent copies of several such photographs identified in attached Exhibit A to the law firm of Olive and Olive, our patent counsel, on or before August 7, 2000.

4. That after having made and documented samples of the aforementioned trim products well prior to September 5, 2000, I diligently gave a complete description of the invention, together with samples of the trim products made according to the invention, to our patent counsel law firm of Olive and Olive, P.A. on August 7, 2000, based on which the firm of Olive and Olive filed the subject patent application on November 16, 2000.

5. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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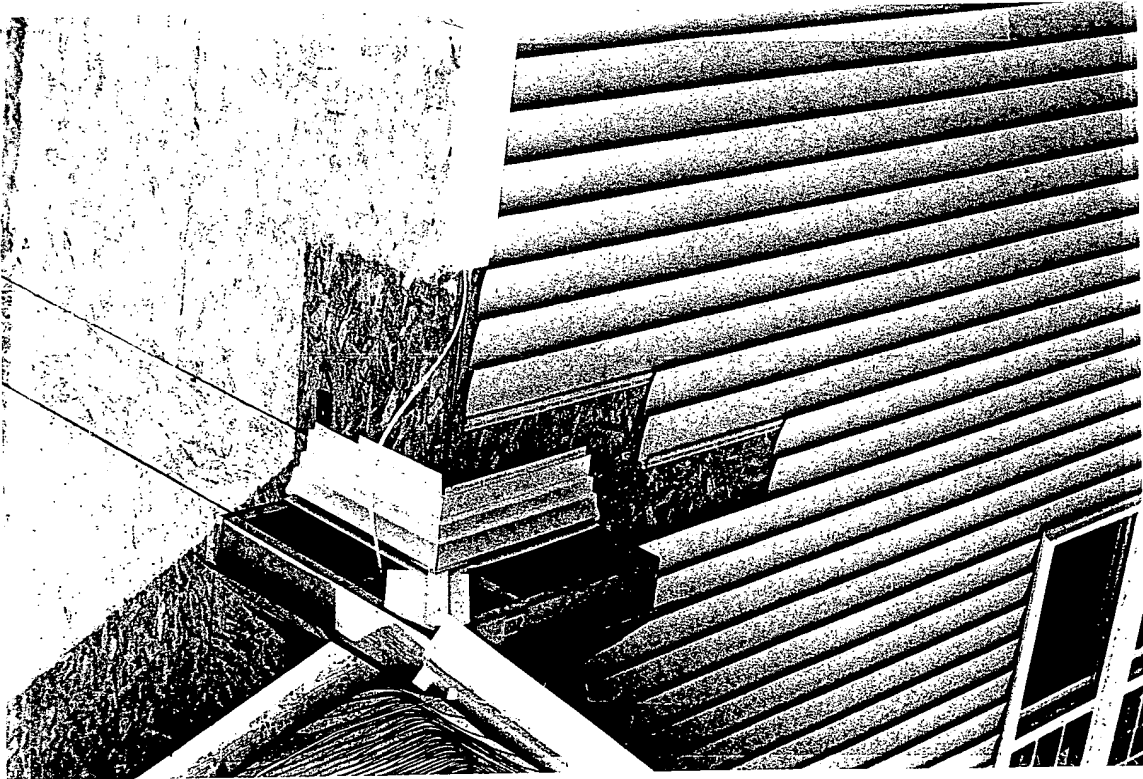
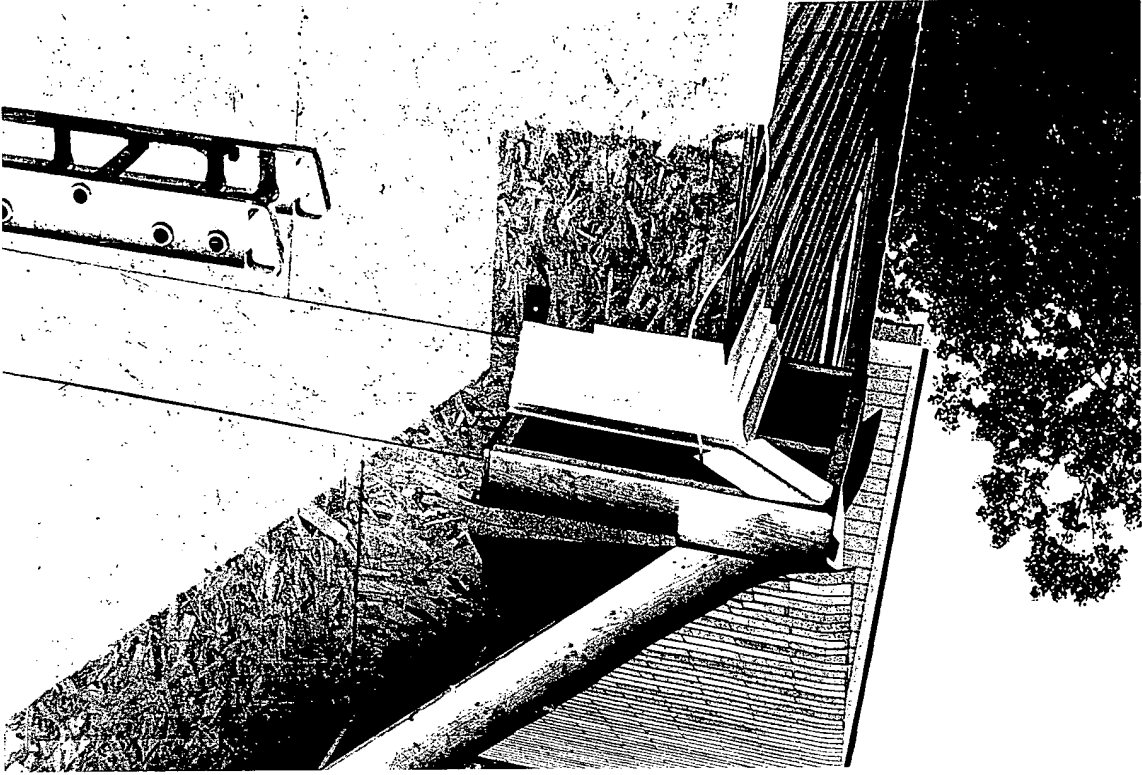


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